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RUSSIAN ARMY CORPS IN MONGOLIA.

ADVANCING TOWARDS THREE EASTERN PROVINCES.

GRAND COUNCIL WANTS YUAN SHIH K'AI.

["SHUN PO" SERVICE.]

Peking, Feb. 20.

Serious news has reached Peking from the frontier.

It is reported that a Russian army corps has crossed the Mongolian border and is advancing towards the Three Eastern Provinces.

The people are said to be in a state of great alarm.

The Manchurian Viceroy has telegraphed to Peking asking for instructions.

The government considers that Russia's demands are excessive and unreasonable and it fails to see how China can meet them.

A radical disagreement is almost certain, and the Waiwupu has notified the foreign Ministers that in the event of war Russia must be considered responsible.

YUAN SHIH K'AI.

GRAND COUNCIL WANTS HIM TO RETURN.

["SHUN PO" SERVICE.]

Peking, Feb. 20.

The President of the Waiwupu has strongly recommended the recall of Yuan Shih K'ai. He suggests that the ex-Grand Councillor be appointed to his post. The suggestion has been strongly supported by several of the Grand Councillors.

The President of the Board of War has memorialised the Throne suggesting the raising of a foreign loan to be devoted to placing the army on a strong footing.

The Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg, H. E. Shap Yin Tu, has telegraphically reported to Peking that the Russian Government is very pressing and determined in its demands and he urges the immediate settlement of the dispute.

The Waiwupu has come to no decision as to Russia's demand for a consulate at Kulgan and elsewhere and other commercial privileges.

CLAIMS AND COUNTER-CLAIMS.

Peking, February 17.—Russia contends that China is disregarding Articles XI, XII, XIII, and XIV of the Treaty of 1881, the Harbin Agreement of 1900 and the Burin Treaty of 1727, which accepted the Tannu Mountains as the Russo-Mongolian frontier.

China contends that the Siank Mountains are the correct boundary, and suggests that the two remaining questions be settled at the forthcoming revision of the treaty. Russia does not agree to this course being adopted and is pressing for an immediate settlement.

A HOPEFUL VIEW.

Peking, February 17.—The Government expresses confidence that an amicable arrangement with Russia can be reached. ["N. C. D. News."]

Press Views.

China is learning the truth of the adage that misfortunes never come singly. The precarious position of Manchuria, which received special emphasis on the occasion of the recent agreement between Russia and Japan, has been intensified by the outbreak of plague. Unable to appreciate in time the seriousness of the epidemic or adequately to cope with it, the Chinese Government has been forced to allow foreigners to do much of the work that it ought to have carried out on its own initiative, with the result that by the more expenditure of money in the interests of the Chinese themselves Russia and Japan have strengthened their hold on the ill-fated province, says the "N. C. D. News." The same moment has been chosen by Russia to force to a conclusion certain negotiations of a politico-commercial character regarding Russian interests in Mongolia and the New Territory. Chinese diplomacy has always proceeded along its own well-worn lines, and so long as mutual distrust existed among the foreign Powers there was some ground for the Peking Government to suppose that those lines were not altogether unsuccessful.

THE MANCHURIAN SITUATION.

A number of factors is at the present time rendering the situation in Manchuria one of the gravest danger. For a long time now we have been hearing of the increase of Russian and Japanese forces in territory belonging to China, and we have more than once indicated the very high probability that one or other of those Powers would utilize the present moment, when the Three Eastern Provinces are face to face with the terrible scourge of the plague, for the exercise of pressure on the Peking Government in order to secure further exactions, says the "National Review." According to reports from Peking the Russian and the Japanese authorities have addressed identical notes to the Peking Government suggesting that the measures being taken for the suppression of plague are not satisfactory and informing the Peking Government that unless amelioration and improvement are effected by the beginning of next month they will feel it incumbent upon them to take measures of their own throughout the affected area. What this means there is no need for us to explain in detail; it will suffice to say up the whole business by summing that the present crisis, in which the first considerations are of humanity, will be utilized for the establishment of a form of foreign civil control over the very key to the Empire. In order as far as possible to keep an eye on Russian movements H. E. Shih Shao-chih has been appointed

a special commissioner to north Manchuria, and it is expected that in a few days a special commissioner for the southern part of the province will be appointed to keep a watch on the movements of the Japanese. An extensive list of the outstanding diplomatic questions in Manchuria has also been forwarded to Peking by His Excellency the Viceroy in order that the central Government may be fully informed as to these matters. Each list is accompanied by a detailed report and by suggestions from the Viceroy as to the policy to be adopted in its settlement.

These various difficulties have decided Russia to make a demonstration on the frontier and to inform Great Britain, France and Japan of her action, says the "Shanghai Times." The reason that these three countries have been notified is that they also have overland routes leading into China which afford similar problems to those now confronting Russia. Probably Russia expects to force China to accept her terms in the same way as Japan dictated to China concerning the Antung-Mukden Railway. We do not anticipate hostilities, but it would not be wise to prophesy. We have attempted to give our readers an outline of the present differences rather than to make a forecast.

Russia may have grievances against China, and there can be no doubt that Chinese official obstructiveness, especially when it is a question of carrying out unpopular treaty provisions, is a constant source of irritation to other nations as well as Russia, says the "Shanghai Mercury," but it is difficult to think that matters have gone so far as to justify forcible occupation of Chinese territory, which is said to be the first step intended by Russia. The St. Petersburg explanation of Russia's threatened drastic action is that the long-smouldering irritation has culminated owing to the spread of the plague through alleged Chinese official obstructiveness. It cannot be denied that Russia has, or had in the first stage of the outbreak of plague, serious grounds for complaint against China in the conduct of Chinese officials, who in many cases undoubtedly were largely responsible for the spread of the plague by their criminal supineness.

IS MANCHURIA TO BE ANNEXED?

What to do with Manchuria? That is the question which occupies now not only your diplomatic body but also all the representatives of our public circles in the Far East, says the "Zabakalskaya Nov," published at Chita. To this question an answer was given by one Orientalist, who writes in the columns of the "Uro Rossi" (Morning of Russia), published at Moscow, that Japan is preparing to annex South Manchuria, and therefore, there is no reason why Russia should not annex Northern Manchuria. According to the writer, Japan is getting ready to do so because such action is necessary to complete the annexation of Korea and that of Manchuria is delayed now only thanks to the fact that the Antung-Mukden Railway is not yet ready to connect the Japanese railways in Korea with those in Manchuria. But it will be completed next year. The construction of the railway bridge over the Yalu river is already finished. After the railway is completed, Japan will be able to bring her army into Manchuria immediately and without any obstacles and this will be so strong an argument for China, that it would not dare to resist Japan openly, as it is not yet prepared from the military point of view. If Japan will consider this acquisition of South Manchuria necessary for her, to complete the annexation of Korea, then the annexation of Northern Manchuria by Russia will be almost a matter of course, as this part of Manchuria is necessary for the Russians, because it is the gateway for the whole Amur region, to

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which it supplies corn, meat and other agricultural products annually to the amount of 20,000,000 roubles.

It is interesting to note that, according to the correspondent, the annexation of Northern Manchuria is regarded by the Society of the Russian Orientalists at Harbin, as necessary. This Society presented a report to Chamberlain Gondati, the president of the Committee, which was sent from St. Petersburg to investigate the economical conditions in East Siberia. In this report the members of the Society express themselves in favour of the annexation of Northern Manchuria by Russia, thinking, evidently, that such an action will not provoke any strong resistance on the part of China, as Japan having in view the annexation of Southern Manchuria, and thus having common interests, would not oppose the action of Russia.

Having annexed Northern Manchuria Russia, so the Orientalists say, would have a gateway for the whole Amur region and the two Manchurian provinces, the State income from which would defray gradually all Russian expenses, which were incurred in the past time by "the adventures in the Far East."

Northern Manchuria might be a gateway for us, it is true, says the "Zabakalskaya Nov," but the annexation recommended by the Society is none the less a risky adventure.

What the Chinese Think.

The native papers with one accord devote leaders on the Russo-Chinese situation. They severely criticise the Grand Council, which, they declare, has utterly failed to learn the lessons taught during the last thirty years. The war with France and with Japan, the Boxer rising and the Russo-Japanese war should have impressed them with the necessity of putting China's house in order, but instead they have done nothing. It is now too late to do what should have been done years ago, namely, form an alliance with either Russia or Japan. Had such an alliance been made the Russo-Japanese war would never have been fought and the present difficulty never encountered. The writers fear that the partition of China is imminent.

CHINA'S COMMERCE.

A SUGGESTION FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT.

["SHUN PO" SERVICE.]

Peking, Feb. 20.

The Viceroy of the Liang Kiang has memorialised the Throne suggesting that commercial commissioners be appointed to proceed to the Straits to investigate trade conditions.

He adds that they should be instructed to use every endeavour to persuade rich Chinese merchants in Singapore to return to China with a view to developing business in the Yangtze Valley.

The Board of Agriculture, Industry and Commerce strongly opposes the suggestion that Viceroy should be empowered to appoint their own Tao-tais of industry.

The Board considers it should retain full power in this direction.

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MANILA CARNIVAL.

THE BEST YET HELD.

OVER NINETY THOUSAND VISITORS.

["DAILY TELEGRAPH CORRESPONDENT."]

Manila, Feb. 21, 1 p.m.

The Carnival opened to-day at Manila ranks as the best yet held.

Over ninety thousand visitors have arrived in the City.

Every province in the Philippines has sent exhibits.

Varied programmes for Oriental sporting championships in the Orient have been arranged.

The first airship to fly in Manila will make an ascent at five o'clock.

At seven o'clock the opening parade takes place, to be followed by spectacular night illuminations.

During the Carnival, there will be live stock and dog shows.

There are also conventions of agriculturists and school superintendents in session.

THE GREAT SHOW OPENS TO-DAY.

THE ISLANDS' PROSPERITY.

The blowing of sirens and whistles and the clashing music of massed bands announces to-day the opening of the Manila Carnival of 1911. The inaugural parade will consist of more than half a hundred floats representing every section of trade and commerce of the Philippine Islands. It will be the greatest Carnival parade that has ever been seen in the Far East, and it is fitting that it should be so, for even in the short period which has elapsed since last February when the third Carnival was held, the Islands have witnessed an increase in prosperity highly satisfactory to the administrators of America's latest acquired possession.

The history of the Philippines during the last few years has been one of continued and unhesitating prosperity. This has been recognised by the masters of industry and commerce in the home country, and every day that now passes over the head of the Islands takes an increase of interest being taken in the wealth there by the great countries of the world.

The visit of the commissioners sent out by the Chambers of Commerce of the Pacific slope is an indication of the high regard which the Philippine Islands have gained among American businessmen, and the Carnivals of the past have undoubtedly done much to obtain this regard.

The great Carnival which opens to-day, comprising as it does commercial exhibits of the fullest description, sporting events which will show the social life of the Islands, demonstrations of scientific apparatus to be used in connecting more closely the Philippine Islands with the outside world, will bring before the commercial eye the great riches and the great prosperity which

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are being developed under the American flag.

No pains have been spared and no expense grudged to make the Carnival as perfect an exposition as possible. The grounds are capacious and excellently laid out, while the communities of Manila and other Philippine towns are vying with one another to show visitors the most perfect productions of the Islands. This is all the more necessary since despite the rapid rise of the Philippines as a commercial factor comparatively little is known of their productions in comparison with the value of the latter, and it is the aim, therefore, of the promoters of the Carnival to put them forward in the most propitious light.

The value of the Carnival, of course, lies in such exhibits, but "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," and the organisers have seen to it that the lighter part of life shall be amply represented.

Not the least picturesque feature of the Carnival parade which opens to-day will be the carrying of the "King and Queen." A mysterious silence has been maintained in regard to these personages, but we understand that they will be an outstanding sensation of the procession. Another interesting feature of the Carnival will be the rowing events for the championship of the Orient, which will take place on two consecutive afternoons during the annual Regatta on Manila Bay opposite the Luneta. The Manila Boat Club will take a prominent part in this event, while other competitors will be taken from the crews of the various vessels of the Asiatic Fleet now in the harbour.

Then there will be the sporting events such as polo, cricket and lawn tennis, in all of which Hongkong will be represented. The polo team is composed of Mr. J. Johnstone, Capt. Brierley, R.A., Mr. Lawder and Capt. Lamb, R.N., and a strong cricket team has gone down.

Exhibitions of aviation and wireless telegraphy will also form part of the Carnival, while dances in the evening, side-shows and band promenades will help to enliven a great commercial attraction.

It is said that Manila hopes one day to stand shoulder to shoulder with Hongkong, as a Far Eastern emporium of trade. This is a laudable ambition and one that progressive and prosperous Hongkong can well understand. Whether it will be attained or not, the present Carnival, at least, will go far towards hastening the Philippines already rapid strides towards the goal of commercial pre-eminence.

Very careful consideration has been given to the appointment of judges. A committee of five has been formed representing five different nationalities so that absolute justice is insured in making the awards. This is a very important point since, we understand, the exhibits comprise the best producible of almost every leading manufacturing country, and according as the awards are made will the future import trade of the Islands be largely governed. On the other hand the purely native exhibits will indicate to commercial visitors the possibilities of the Islands. They will see what is lacking and what will be possible to introduce in the future with good effect.

We have to congratulate our American neighbours on the progressiveness and commercial acumen which has induced them to arrange so well organised a Carnival as that which opens to-day.

Rice and paddy exports from Saigon reached the figure of 1,108,501 French tons in 1910. Such a total had not been reached since 1907 when the shipments were 1,264,143 tons. Hongkong took 250,746 tons, France 242,573, and Java 181,284 tons.

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TROUBLE IN YUNNAN.

FRENCH FORCE CROSSES THE FRONTIER.

["SHUN PO" SERVICE.]

Peking, Feb. 20.

Yet another entry of foreign troops into Chinese territory is reported.

An urgent telegram has been received by the Waiwupu from Viceroy Li of Yunnan stating that a French force has crossed the frontier, and has taken up a strong position along the railway.

He asks for instructions to be sent immediately.

BOXING.

Roy Kenny was among the returning passengers on the Rubi from Zambanga, and in answer to questions he said: "A sporting fiasco was pulled off by the Southern A.C. managers when Melvaine, the heavy-weight colored boxer, was awarded the decision over me by referee Pato Sebart on a foul which he claimed was dealt while Melvaine was down although he had repeatedly refused to start the count. The decision looked like a frame-up to me as favor was shown my opponent throughout the match." Melvaine proved to be the worst man Kenny has yet been up against since coming to the Philippines, as he gave him the strongest arguments for eight rounds that he has had for some time.

"In view of the fluke decision and our apparent equality I am anxious to meet the Mindanao glove-smith in a return engagement with an unbiased referee. I will take the dusky boxer on under exactly the same conditions as before, which were his own conditions, with free infighting, he style that Melvaine is master of," continued Mr. Kenny.

The Weather Forecast.



On the 20th at 11.55 a.—The barometer has fallen considerably in E. Japan, the depression lying over E. Manchuria yesterday, having reached the Pacific to the North of Hokkaido.

The anticyclonic area is still central over the continent to the North of the Yangtze valley, but pressure is giving way along the China coast.

Strong monsoon must still be expected to prevail over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast District.

- 1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N.E. winds, fresh; fair.
- 2.—Formosa Channel, same as No. 1.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamoeks, same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

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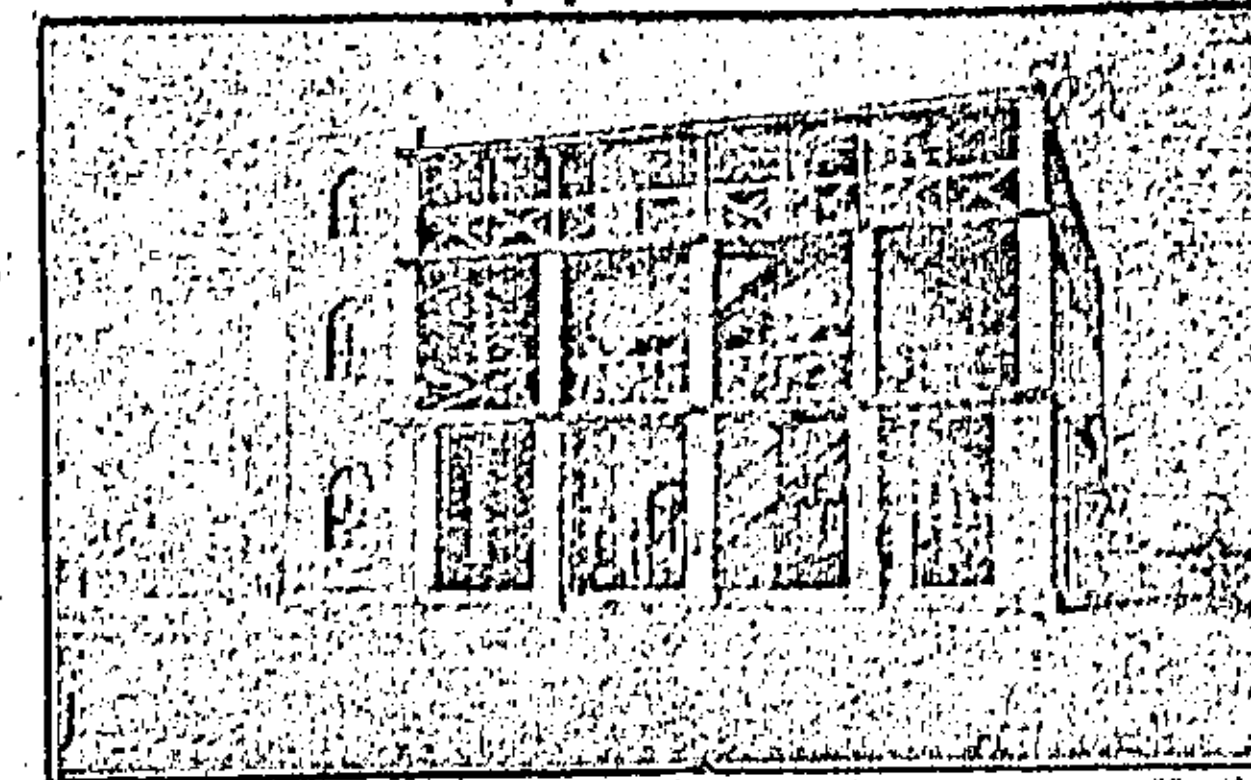
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Public Companies

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 25th day of February, 1911, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1910.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th February, to SATURDAY, the 25th February, 1911 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th Feb., 1911. [871]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Hotel on SATURDAY, the 25th February, 1911, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1910, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter which may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 25th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th Feb., 1911. [908]

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be closed from the 13th until the 27th February, 1911, both days inclusive.

The ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Monday, the 27th February, at noon, for consideration of Directors' Report and Balance Sheet, for the election of Directors, for the election of Auditors and for other purposes.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

WM. JOLLY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th Feb., 1911. [876]

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the General Managers at 12 noon on TUESDAY, 28th instant, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1910, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th inst. to 23rd instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th Feb., 1911. [880]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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OUR CONTEMPORARIES. WHAT THEY THINK.

China Mail.

A STORM IN A TEACUP.

In matters such as these the vernacular Press can perform a real public service by refusing to be drawn into the vortex of spitefully-engineered and wholly unwarrantable agitations and by fearlessly exercising the saving grace of discretion. Is it too much to hope that the day is at hand when the journalists of China will apprehend the true function of their high calling and the full possibilities of their influence on the public mind? Until such a time arrives the Press of the Middle Kingdom will prove itself a distinct danger rather than a blessing.

Daily Press.

RUSO-CHINESE TROUBLE.

We have heard it said that there are in Chinese military circles men who harbour the delusion that the army of China is capable of repeating against a European army the successes achieved by the Japanese in their war against the Russians; but we are not aware of any independent expert testimony which countenances such an idea. Delusions of this kind, we know, have carried China into wars before, and if all these reports of warlike preparations are well based, there is evidently much danger of a repetition of this folly.

South China Morning Post.

OFF TO THE CARNIVAL.

Unusual interest attaches to the great importance of the annual Carnival in Manila. For many years past Hongkong has been a centre of sport on the China coast, but with the attractiveness of the Carnival week and the increasing attention which Americans are giving to sporting matters, it looks as if Manila will offer a very serious challenge to the supremacy of Hongkong before many years have passed. Though the conditions are slightly different from those which prevail here, the spirit is the same and there is no denying that the energy and enterprise which are distinguishing the Americans in their efforts to make Manila attractive are proving successful. Whether the future will disclose Manila to be the principal sporting centre in the East is an open question, but if matters continue as they have been doing, Hongkong will certainly have to look to its laurels before long. At the same time it is a very friendly rivalry which animates the two ports in this respect, and we are glad to see it and would do everything to encourage it.

LATEST MAIL NEWS.

Lord Roberts is expected to interpellate the Government on the unprepared state of the army and the navy.

New York, Feb. 7.—A bill for the construction of a canal to connect Paris with the sea and for the construction of a harbour in the capital, has been brought forward in the Chamber.

The United States Government's proposal to employ armaments to watch events on the Mexican frontier was finally approved on the 6th inst. The Government will disburse \$120,000 in purchasing aeroplanes.

The Bill introduced in Congress by Mr. Hobson for the adequate punishment of military spies was passed on the 6th instant.

London, Feb. 8.—The masters of the cotton mills in Lancashire propose working short time as the stocks of yarns are accumulating rapidly.

London, Feb. 17.—Dispatches from Washington state that Mr. Bonnet, a Republican representative of New York, introduced in the House of Representatives a resolution requesting Mr. Taft to negotiate with Great Britain with a view to the annexation of Canada. The resolution was referred to the Committee of Foreign Affairs. The motion is not regarded seriously at Washington, as it is believed that the object in view is to foment opposition in Canada and Great Britain.

BORING FOR OIL.

EXPEDITION LEAVES HONGKONG TO-MORROW.

The directors of the International Petroleum Co., Ltd., entertained a number of friends at the Tung Tin Lau Hotel last night, the occasion being the departure of Capt. Bunje and his assistants on an oil boring expedition in Timor. It will be remembered that prospecting was done by Mr. Bunje, and so convinced was he of the quality of the bore that a local syndicate was formed with the view of securing a properly-equipped outfit for further and more extensive drilling work. The advisory expert proceeded through the oil fields of California, secured excellent plant as well as two assistants who have had a wide experience in this work. The whole outfit has been loaded this week, and it is expected that the Frithjof will leave Hongkong to-morrow for Deli, and then proceed to the other side of the island where the concessions have been obtained.

Among those who sat at the table last night were Messrs: F. D. Barretto, G. T. Lloyd, Capt. Theo. Bunje, E. A. Hardison, O. C. Johns, O. D. Barretto, H. Masquerenas, C. Soares, B. Botelho, I. Botelho, H. F. Bunje, C. Bunje, Francisco Tso Yat, Kwok Shui Ting, Ho Chi Kai, Ching King Sin, Wong Chung Hang, Kwok U Shun, Tso Tsun Tai, Simon Tso Yan, Kwok Mo Ting, Kwok Lai Ting, &c., &c.

The Chairman (Mr. Kwok) expressed the hope of all parties interested in the undertaking that success would crown the efforts of Capt. Bunje and the two gentlemen who were proceeding with him.

Capt. Bunje, in acknowledging the toast, said he trusted their hopes would be realised. They had secured one of the best boring outfits that had ever been produced in the States, and he had brought the knowledge he had acquired during his visit to the Californian oil fields to bear on their present venture and its equipment. He had also been fortunate enough to obtain the services of two of the best practical men in their departments, and on Wednesday he hoped all would be ready to sail for Timor, to continue bores on an extensive scale. Some months ago he struck oil there, but that was at the very superficial depth of 45 ft. Now he hoped to tap the well at 800 ft. or more, although he would be able to bore to a depth of 3000 or 4000 ft. if it were necessary. They now had the outfit and the men, and he could only most heartily re-echo the hope that success would attend their efforts.

Mr. Hardison supplemented Capt. Bunje's remarks, and touched on the wonderful developments of the Californian oil fields. It was his first visit to the Orient, but he was pleased to be able to meet so many Chinese whom he looked upon as friends of his (applause).

Mr. Tso Tsan Taisaid:—Gentlemen, it has greatly pleased us to hear the encouraging speeches just made by Capt. Bunje and Mr. Hardison, regarding the promising future of the petroleum oil deposits in the island of Timor, the more so as they are experts in their line. We know, as history and tradition tell us, that these oil deposits are the richest in this portion of the oil belt of the world. We, therefore, wish the expedition, which is leaving here for Timor on Wednesday next, success in its boring operations, and may they strike a "gusher"—a gusher similar to the "Lake View" of California, spouting 80,000 barrels of crude oil daily. Our worthy chairman, Mr. Francisco Tso Yat, had made every preparation to accompany this expedition, but at the last moment his plans had to be altered, and he will now leave by the "St. Albans." Gentlemen, I ask you to charge your glasses and drink to the success of the expedition, and to the future success and prosperity of the International Petroleum Company, Ltd., and the general agents of the Company, Messrs. Barretto & Co.

Mr. Barretto also made a few remarks, stating that he hoped to visit Timor during the next few months if the boring had proved successful.

A very pleasant evening ended with cheers for those who directed the expedition.

MARKET PRICES.

Messrs. Warner Barnes & Co., Ltd., of Manila, in their latest commercial circular, report as follows:—

Hemp: Continued heavy receipts, coupled with absence of demand except at reduced prices, has had a depressing effect on our market, which has been a sagging one except for primo marks. Latter are still very scarce and eagerly sought after.

Sugar prices remain unchanged and the rice market was very firm owing to small available supplies.

Copra: Stronger advices from consuming markets caused a rally, followed by a sharp advance, prices moving up rapidly from 10.625 to 11.00 per picco, which however has since been lost, prices now ranging between P10.375 to 10.50 per picco.

FOOTBALL.

TRIANGULAR LEAGUE CONTEST.

The Army rugby team met the Navy team yesterday on the Hongkong Football Club Ground in the above competition. The match was a good one, and was witnessed by a large gathering of spectators.

The game was a fast one and the first half resulted in favour of the Navy—7-3. On resuming, the Navy kept on pressing and things looked as if the Navy would come out winner. This went on for a time, but an Army player made a rush up and sent in a drop kick, which resulted in a goal, and this equalised matters. The game resulted in a draw—7 all.

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1910. [2]

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Intimations.

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Hongkong, 6th Feb., 1911. [894]

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E. TUTOHER,
Headmistress.
Hongkong, 18th Feb., 1911. [907]

STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIA-
TION OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

THE COMMITTEE has decided
that the following shall be the
Settling Days for 1911:—

SATURDAY, 28th January.
MONDAY, 27th February.
THURSDAY, 8th March.
FRIDAY, 28th April.
TUESDAY, 30th May.
THURSDAY, 28th June.
SATURDAY, 29th July.
WEDNESDAY, 30th August.
FRIDAY, 29th September.
MONDAY, 30th October.
WEDNESDAY, 29th November.
FRIDAY, 29th December.

The following is a List of Members
of the Stockbrokers' Association of
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By Order of the Committee,

W. G. WORCESTER,

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Hongkong, 19th Jan., 1911. [883]

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THE

Hongkong Telegraph
HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEB. 21, 1911

YUAN SHIH K'AI.

(BY ONE WHO KNOWS HIM.)

The recall of Yuan Shih-k'ai to power, foreshadowed in our telegrams to-day, will bring into the arena of Chinese politics a character once elusive, notorious and praiseworthy. The last, because no Chinese official, not even excepting the great Li Hung Chang himself, has been responsible for more or better reforms: notorious, because but for him the coup d'etat of 1908, when the unfortunate Kwang Hsu was finally bereft of all imperial power, were impossible; elusive, since no man has yet guessed

Yuan's deep intentions. He has been called the greatest living Chinaman. He has been executed by his countrymen and his rumoured execution hailed with joy. He has established a modern city in the metropolitan province of Chihli, and he allowed that same city of Tientsin to be battered by the Boxers. He stands in the eyes of most foreigners as a prince of progress, but he sold his master, Kwang Hsu, to the reactionary Empress Dowager and gave over to the executioner's sword the supporters of Kong Yi Wei. Such is Yuan, the proposed new Chief of the Waiwupu. Let me briefly tell the story of his rise and fall.

The beginning was small. The future satrap of Chihli and confidant of the Empress Dowager comes of humble parentage, and lacked that influence which helps ambition. But he found in Li Hung Chang a mentor, a friend and a strong supporter, and first in Korea and then as Governor of Shantung displayed an ability that brought him to the front. He was at once strong to withstand aggression on China, open to recognise the rights of others and unscrupulous where his own ambitions were concerned. Never has an official preserved so fine a balance on the political fence. Translated from Shantung to the great Viceroyalty of Chihli, he at once, and with conspicuous success, introduced the most drastic reforms. The Peiyang army—a force of no mean merit—is of his creation, (and, he it said, the most powerful weapon he possessed). The Tientsin gendarmerie, later copied by Peking; the same city's sanitation, road-making, interior government and a hundred other improvements are also mainly his work. Ready to be as unprogressive as the most hide-bound Manchus of their all, he saw that the times spelt progress and threw himself heart and soul into the movement. Then came the change. Kwang Hsu and the great reformer Kong Yi Wei came to grips with the Empress Dowager and her reactionaries. On the attitude of the troops—the Peiyang army—depended the struggle. The reformers were assured of Yuan's whole-hearted help even to the extent of imprisoning the Dowager. At the eleventh hour he exploded the plot to dethrone her to that great lady placed his men at her disposal, and Kwang Hsu lost his throne in all but name. In 1900, again, he held his trained troops in readiness outside Tientsin, but though assuring foreigners of his protection moved neither hand nor foot to help. Besieged by both parties, Yuan sat on the fence, to return, unharmed, when all was over to his Viceroyalty. Again he threw his weight into the scale of progress, and steadily augmented his personal power. Writer after writer hailed him as the saviour of China, but Fate, for the moment, waited on him in the guise of a Grand Councillorship. It was "Irish promotion," and he knew it, and from the moment of his acceptance of office, was ready for instant flight. The moment came with the death of the Empress Dowager. Yuan was impeached, disgraced and condemned. He fled to his ancestral home—ruined to all seeming. Now, the very men who once compassed his downfall "strongly support" his recall. In what character will he come back? As the friend of progress or the cold-blooded assistant of reaction? If I know the man, the former. He will, as he always did, support the carrying out of frontiers—when national and personal suicide is the alternative. As President of the Waiwupu he will strive to the

utmost to bring China into friendly touch with the powers, and he will succeed because he will realise that China wishes him to succeed. Progressive in obedience to the spirit of the times, even if that spirit be reactionary, Yuan Shih-k'ai is an opportunist of a clearness of vision that no consideration can dim. Should he come again to power, China will feel once more the master-hand upon the rein, just such another hand as that of his late mistress—but let it be remembered of Yuan Shih-k'ai that he is an indicator, an illustrator, of public opinion, never its master.

HONGKONG DAY BY DAY.

Baron von Babo, Vice-Consul for Austria-Hungary at Chefoo, is visiting Hongkong.

Miss Wray of the London Missionary Society leaves for Europe by the P. Eitel Frederick.

Dr. Karl Bernauer, Consul-General for Austria-Hungary, Shanghai, is in Hongkong.

In the hockey league finals, 105th M.L.I. will play 13th Rajputs on the U.S.K.C. ground at 4.30 p.m., to-morrow.

Mr. Dooley, business manager of "The Folios," left for Manila to-day. The artists proceed there on Tuesday next.

Dr. Nord, the German Consul at Canton, who has been on a visit to Hongkong, left for the Shamoon yesterday.

The Bishop of Victoria, Right Rev. H. G. Lander, D.D., is expected back from Wuchow by the s.s. Tsingtang to-night.

Mr. David Turnbull, superintendent of the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd., arrived by the German Mail last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dollar arrived on the German Mail yesterday from Shanghai. Mr. Dollar is the manager of the Robert Dollar Co.

Prof. C. H. Robertson will lecture on "The Gyroscope and its Applications" at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, Alexandra Buildings, on Thursday next at 9 p.m.

On board the s.s. "Tilatjap" a Chinaman died suddenly yesterday evening. The body was removed to the mortuary for examination as to the cause of death.

Lt. A. C. T. d'Almeida, Lt. C. de Sousa Leal, and 50 sailors, all of the Portuguese cruiser Republica, leave by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich for Gibraltar at daylight to-morrow.

Mr. B. Greiser, of the Berlin Missionary Society, and family are leaving for Europe by the German Mail to-morrow. Mr. Greiser has been stationed at Yinkfa, near Canton.

Among the passengers who arrived this forenoon on the s.s. Loongsang from Manila were Mr. Fritz Lieb, manager of Messrs. Arnold, Karberg & Co., and Mr. C. R. Lenzmann, manager of Messrs. Carlowitz & Co.

6,287 Chinese visited the City Hall Museum last week.

Mr. Alec Taylor, the billiard player, arrived in Shanghai by the Nora.

Mrs. Julian Arnold, wife of the American Consul at Amoy, is at the Hongkong Hotel.

Mr. H. W. Gammon, student interpreter, H.B.M.'s Embassy, Peking, is at the Hongkong Hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Jones, from Shanghai, are passengers by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich for London.

Dr. and Mrs. Gatherer, of Shanghai, are passengers by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich for Singapore.

Taotai Lo Kuo-jui has been appointed by the Ministry of Posts and Communications to proceed to Yunnan and Kuangsi to survey railway lines. Mr. Lo was to leave Hongkong for Canton shortly.

A new daily was to be started in Manila to-day. It will be delivered free.

Last night's concert at the Seamen's Institute was organised by Mr. Webb. A large number enjoyed a good evening's entertainment.

The funeral of the late Mr. Ta Foong, compradore of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank, and Chairman of the Shanghai Piece Goods Guild, took place with great pomp on the 18th.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of the current passenger train schedules for the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, from Mr. G. H. Gorso, jun., general Oriental agent, Shanghai.

Mr. Chang, a wealthy Chinese settler in the Straits, has purchased the ground and buildings of the Nanyang Exhibition for thirty thousand taels, and proposes to raise a capital of two million taels to start various kinds of industries there.

The mere fact that children do not resemble their male parents is not sufficient ground on which to base a denial of filial relation, according to Judge Crossfield, Manila, who has ordered the customs authorities to release Tan Chong Tiock and Tan Ning Kiang, two Chinese boys who had been held for deportation.

H.M.S. sloop "Glo" with the destroyers "Virago" and "Hart" and "Handy" have gone to Mrs. Bay for gun practice. The Monmouth came out of dock this afternoon.

BILLIARDS.

The last game in the third round of the Grand Hotel competition was to be played last night but Mr. Porey scratched to Mr. Phillips.

To-night Mr. Thornhill will meet Mr. Kodward in the semi-final, and to-morrow night's semi-final will be between Messrs. Phillips and Bell.

SOLDIERS' CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The first two matches between the 83rd Company R. G. A. and the Police, in the above competition, took place last night at the Soldiers' Club. The first game was between Corporal Heatley, of the R. G. A., and Sergt. Bell of the Police. The game resulted in an easy win for the R. G. A. man—250-140. The best break was made by Heatley—22.

The next game was between Quarter-Master Sergt. Barnfather and Sergt. Murphy. The game resulted in a win for the Police by 50 points.

To-night's games will be as follows:—Lieut. Aston vs. Sergt. Cooper and Quarter-Master Sergeant vs. Bunford.

POLICE COURT.

A Chinese was charged with stealing a quantity of rope from Wellington Barracks yesterday. Three weeks' hard labour and four hours' strokes.

The Chinese who was remanded yesterday for the larceny of a pair of bangles and two finger rings from a little girl in No. 3, Circular Path Way, was further charged with being in unlawful possession of a watch and chain. Evidence was then called and the Magistrate passed sentence of six months' hard labour on the first charge.

MARINE COURT.

Chan Yau, the "No. 2" of the steam launch Evening Star, was charged before Mr. C. W. Book with to-day with unlawfully failing to exhibit regulation lights in the Harbour on the night of the 17th inst.

He pleaded guilty. His Worship imposed a fine of \$10 with the option of one month's imprisonment, remarking that it was carelessness such as this that led to serious collisions. He warned the coxswain not to allow the putting up of the lights to be left to the crew. Lance Sergeant 109 W. G. Oagillo conducted the prosecution.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

TO-DAY'S SITTING.

The Criminal Sessions were resumed this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis T. Pigott, and the Puisne Judge, His Honour P. A. Hazeland, FORGERY.

In the Chief Justice's Court, the first case called was that in which the defendant was Leung Ho Chun, who yesterday was charged with uttering forged receipts for house rents to the amount of \$56 and also with having embezzled three sums—\$85, \$160 and \$78 respectively—belonging to his employer, Chan Chun Ngan.

When originally charged, the defendant denied the indictment relating to the forged receipts for rents, but pleaded guilty to the three counts of embezzlement, and his Lordship postponed the sentence until this morning in order that he might read the depositions.

This morning his Lordship, addressing the Attorney-General (Hon. W. Rees Davies, K.C.) said that reference had been made to the fact that the prisoner had embezzled sums to the amount of \$10,000. He was only charged now with the embezzlement of three small amounts.

The Attorney-General stated that the prisoner had not been charged with the full amount which he admitted to have embezzled, as, to prove that, it would have been necessary to call a great number of witnesses. Therefore he was only charged with the embezzlement of the three small sums mentioned in the indictment.

The prisoner, on being asked if he had anything to say, stated that he knew nothing about the forgery. The receipts were given to him already signed.

His Lordship—You are only charged now with embezzlement. The prisoner stated, further, that he had nothing more to say with regard to the charge of embezzlement.

His Lordship passed sentence of four years' imprisonment with hard labour.

ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

Two Chinese, by name Chung Yuen and Lau So, were brought up on a charge of having on 28th January last, at Kowloon City, assaulted an old Chinese woman, Chan Yuen, with intent to commit robbery.

They pleaded not guilty. Mr. C. G. Alabaster (instructed by Mr. H. L. Denny, jun.), conducted the prosecution on behalf of the Attorney-General.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. E. J. da Rosa, A. McKirdy, H. B. Bridger, F. J. B. Jorge, A. Foshier, W. Pringle, jun., and P. W. White.

Mr. Alabaster, in opening the case for the Crown, stated that on the day in question about noon the old woman, Chan Yuen, was sitting in her house at Kowloon City when the two prisoners came in and asked for a man named Chan Yiek, who, they said, owed them two dollars. They then barred the door, seized the old woman by the throat, and gagged her. After this, they proceeded to search her room and looked all through her boxes. While they were doing so, the old woman contrived to get the gag out of her mouth and screamed out "Save life." A fellow-lodger in the house, another old woman, heard her cries and gave the alarm, whereupon the prisoners got frightened and ran out of the house. They were captured by the villagers. The complainant said that she had never seen either of the two men before. The statement of the prisoners at the Magistracy was that she owed them two dollars, that they went there to collect the money, that she attacked them with a broom and drove them from the house, and that they were then arrested by the villagers.

After hearing evidence, the jury returned a verdict of guilty. His Lordship sentenced the prisoners to four years' hard labour each, and to receive 24 strokes with the birch. He was sorry that the law did not permit him to order punishment by the "cat" in this instance.

ROBBERY.

Before Mr. Justice Hazeland and a jury composed of Messrs. J. F. Barros, D. Carvalho, W. C. Drow, J. A. Ismael, E. S. Abraham, A. A. Alves and A. Davidson.

Ng Seng and Cheng Wai were charged with attempted robbery.

The first prisoner pleaded not guilty, while the second prisoner pleaded guilty.

The Attorney-General said that prisoners were charged with armed robbery—a crime only too common in the colony. On the day in question, under a ruse, the first prisoner with others entered a house in Winglok Street and assaulted the inmates. The Police were soon on the scene, when the first prisoner displayed much humour by helping the police to arrest the second prisoner, who in his turn gave the whole show away.

Evidence was then led, and after a short summing up, the jury returned a verdict of guilty.

His Lordship said one prisoner had already been sentenced to five years. He would order him to undergo a further term of five years, making ten years in all, and to be whipped with the birch 24 strokes within six months of his incarceration. As regarded the second prisoner, his Lordship thought he was merely the tool of the first prisoner, and would therefore sentence him to two years only.

Chang Yu Ling, Fu Yao and Leo Sang were indicted with having on the 19th January last, at No. 57, Connaught Road West, assaulted the inmates thereof, put them in danger of their lives, and robbed and carried away \$2,000 in money and articles of jewellery to the value of \$2,800.

Prisoners pleaded not guilty. Mr. Potter appeared for the third prisoner.

The Attorney-General, in opening the case for the Crown, said that that was another of those audacious cases of robbery which constituted a great danger in this colony. In the present sessions many of these cases were described as attempted robberies. Owing, no doubt, to good luck in many cases, the perpetrators of the crime had gone away without doing much harm. On the day in question, at about 3 p.m., an amah in the house opened the door in order to go and get some hot water to make tea with, when a number of men rushed in and proceeded to gag the women in the house and ransack the premises. They succeeded in making a haul of two thousand dollars in money and jewellery to the value of \$2,800. From information subsequently received the Police succeeded in arresting the first and second prisoners, and a few days afterwards the third prisoner was arrested. The witness would identify two of the prisoners, and with regard to the third, the evidence would show that the robbery was planned some time ago in his house. The indictments contained two counts—the first being robbery and the second receiving stolen property.

Evidence was then heard. Case proceeding.

A ROBBERS' RAID.

Sang Kam, a young Chinese, was charged with being implicated in a robbery outrage at Shauiwan, in the course of which an old Chinese woman was assaulted and gagged in her house whilst the miscreants got away with \$650 in cash, a gold watch, a pair of gold bangles and a pair of jade-stone bangles.

He pleaded not guilty. Mr. Alabaster prosecuted, instructed by Mr. Denny, jun.

The jury, after hearing evidence, found the prisoner guilty as charged.

His Lordship passed sentence of five years' imprisonment with hard labour.

RACKETS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Allahabad, January 27th.—The "Pioneer's" London correspondent wires:—The second half of the match for the Open Rackets Championship of England between Williams and Mr. E. M. Barclay at Manchester yesterday ended in a win for Williams by four to two. Williams is expected to challenge Jamsetjee immediately.

The very latest golf story comes from Glasgow. A modest and improving player asked his caddy, "I suppose you have seen worse players than me?" There was a long silence. The question was repeated in a louder voice. Then the answer came in a quivering tone: "Aye, man, I heard ye fine the first time, but ye man ye fine a buddy time to think."

COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD.

The 89th ordinary half-yearly meeting of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., was held to-day in the Company's office, Hotel Mansions. Mr. R. Sheehan presided, and there were also present:—Messrs. F. A. Gomes, H. E. Siebs, C. R. Lenzmann, F. Lieb, C. H. Ross, F. H. Armstrong, G. Friesland, E. R. Fuhrmann, (directors), Dr. J. W. Noble, Messrs. H. R. Gazdar, J. Arnold, H. W. Looker, T. F. Hough, J. M. E. Machado, A. H. M. da Silva, M. S. Northcott, F. B. Marshall, A. Denison, T. Christiani and W. E. Clarke (secretary). The Secretary having read the notice calling the meeting:

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for the usual period, we will, with your permission, take them as read. The result of the half-year's working compares favourably with the two previous half-years. The depression in the Hongkong-Macao traffic has been accentuated by recent troubles in the sister Colony. The Hongkong-Wuchow direct line has been worked at a profit, but the Canton-Wuchow Line has not been so successful. Turning to the report and statement of accounts, you will note that we have charged the cost of the new boilers and installing same to the value of the steamer Heungshan, as it is a special expenditure on the vessel and cannot be regarded as current repairs. The heavier cost of repairs than has been usual in recent half-yearly accounts is due to docking the Heungshan for installation of new boilers in the last quarter of the year instead of the first quarter of the current year. The income from investments shows a slight decrease compared with recent periods which is due to the repayment of a large loan on mortgage in July, and as no other good mortgages were offered at the moment part of the money was reinvested in approved local stocks and the balance retained to meet the expenditure on the Heungshan. All the values of our investments have been adjusted in accordance with the quotations current at the end of the year by the transfer of \$44,497.19 from investment fluctuation account. The properties mortgaged to the Company have been inspected and re-valued by the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Palmer and Turner, the loans advanced show a satisfactory margin of safety. The loss by subsidiary coins during the past six months' working amounted to \$22,112.22. I do not think of anything else calling for special mention, but should any shareholders require any further information, I shall have much pleasure in answering any questions.

There were no questions asked. The Chairman—There being no questions, gentlemen, I beg to propose the adoption of the report and statement of accounts as presented.

Mr. Looker seconded. Carried.

Mr. Christiani proposed, Mr. Marshall seconded, the appointment of Mr. G. Friesland as a director. Carried.

Mr. Hough proposed, and Mr. Machado seconded, the re-election of Messrs. A. O. D. Gourdin and W. H. Potts as auditors. Carried.

The Chairman—That concludes the business of the meeting, gentlemen. Dividend warrants are now ready and may be obtained upon application. Thank you for your attendance.

ARMED ROBBERY.

A Chinese was charged at the Magistracy this morning with armed robbery, on the 18th inst., at 188, Reclamation Street, Kowloon. It appears that the defendant entered the house, which was occupied at the time by a salt dealer. He ransacked the premises and went away with \$1385.

Mr. P. S. Dixon (from the firm of Mr. T. A. Harding) represented the defendant.

Case remanded.

Telegrams.

THE CRISIS.

JAPANESE OPINION.

[“INDEPENDENT NEWS” AGENCY.]

Tokio, Feb. 21.

Regarding the Russo-Chinese rupture, the press comments here are in agreement that the Russian attitude is too sudden and aggressive—should she resort to such stringent measures as an appeal to arms—when the nature of the questions at issue is considered.

But, in view of the fact that the Chinese Government has lacked sincerity in all her dealings with the Russian representatives in the past, and that she has ignored Russia's treaty rights, it is argued that China's responsibility for the recent rupture is not to be denied.

It is universally hoped, for the sake of peace in the Far East, that China will now take the opportunity to get rid of the old evasive and irresponsible diplomatic policy; hasten to settle all pending problems; and change her attitude towards the Powers in future.

THE SUPPRESSION OF GAMBLING.

IN CANTON.

[THE “TELEGRAPH” CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, Feb. 20.

The first day of the third moon this year has been fixed as the date for the total suppression of gambling in Canton. The loss of revenue as the result of suppressing the gambling monopolies will amount to over four million taels annually. Many sources of taxation are being resorted to in order to make good the losses. Excluding the incomes from the opium and spirit farms, and other monopolies, over two hundred and fifty thousand taels have to be found to replace the loss caused by the eradication of the gambling evil in Canton.

Messrs. Chu Kwong Lan, tobacco merchants, who have established flourishing businesses in Fat Shan, Canton, Hongkong, and the Straits, have with others petitioned the Provincial Treasurer, undertaking to take over the tobacco farm, and offering to pay to the Provincial Government four hundred thousand dollars for the privilege. The revenue from this source is to be devoted to replacing the gambling monopoly revenue in Canton. They have also submitted a list of regulations concerning the running of the tobacco farm.

The Viceroy has instructed the Provincial Treasurer to join the Taotai for the Constabulary in calling together the guild traders in raw tobacco, tobacco leaves, and prepared tobacco, to carefully consider the question, to find out the exact amount of revenue to be derived from this fresh taxation, and to consider the arrangements for running the farm.

The Provincial Treasurer and the Taotai for the Constabulary are requested to make a detailed report of the circumstances to His Excellency, to be submitted to the Board of Finance, who will then be asked to sanction the inauguration of a tobacco monopoly.

NEW COLONIAL SECRETARY.

APPOINTMENT MADE.

It was reported to-day that the successor to Sir Henry May, as Colonial Secretary in Hongkong, had been appointed.

On enquiry we learn that Mr. W. D. Barnes, of Singapore, will arrive here shortly to take over the duties. Mr. Barnes is a member of the Legislative Council, Singapore, and was secretary for Chinese affairs in the Straits Settlements and Federated Malay States.

Mr. Warren D. Barnes, B.A., was born in 1865, and educated at Pembroke College, Cambridge. In 1888 he was appointed to the Straits Settlements Civil Service as a cadet by the Secretary of State, and was later on sent to Swatow to study the Chinese language. He has held various appointments in Courts and Chinese Protectorates of the Straits and F.M.S., and in the Mines Department of the latter, and since 1904 has occupied the office of Secretary of Chinese Affairs.

AMERICAN NEWS.

[VIA MANILA.]

New York, February 17th.—The Rockefeller interests have begun a fight to oust the Gould interests from the control of the Missouri Pacific Railroad.

Washington, February 17.—Rear Admiral Nazro, retired, is dead.

Washington, February 17.—The State Department has received a note from the Russian foreign office notifying the powers that the St. Petersburg government proposes a military demonstration on the Chinese frontier. The cruise assigned is that China has violated the terms of the treaty of 1881.

HONGKONG WAS SCARED.

Aunt the report from Hongkong that the authorities there would not permit Messrs. Mars and Baldwin to fly in that city for fear of their spying on the secrets of the fortifications, a correspondent sends us the following:

J. C. Mars, and Captain Baldwin, aviators now in Manila for the Carnival, were refused permission to make flights over Hongkong the government fearing they might obtain secrets of the fortifications of the city. Permission was given, under certain restrictions, to fly at Taipo, seventeen miles away, but at the last moment those desiring to see the flights were forbidden, the use of the only railway to the place, so the ascents were not made.

“You may fly, but not o’er Hongkong,”

So the pompous governor said. “You might steal our little fortress,”

From the Peak up overhead. At Taipo it's fine for flying, But the people, ‘don’t let her know.

Cannot use our little railroad, Out to see your beastly show.” So Hongkong now breathes more freely.

Mars and Baldwin came away. And the forts up on the hillside Still remain to watch the bay. Let Hongkong go on sleeping, A “back number” on the shelf, “Mars, Manila’s glad to see you, Go ahead and “bust yourself.”

“B. F. N.”

While we have no criticism to offer upon the caution observed by the British officials to guard the military secrets of their country, we do want to voice the welcome extended in the rhyme to the birdmen who have come among us to demonstrate how man has mastered the ether as they aforesaid mastered the sea. These gentlemen have come among their own people. We have no secrets that are not theirs. The sincere hope of all Manilans is that they will feel that they are on American soil through the treatment they receive while in Manila.—“Cablenews.”

RUBBER NEWS.

Messrs. J. A. Wattie and Co., Ltd., secretaries and general managers of the Anglo-Java Estates Ltd., state that the output of the Anglo-Java Estates for the months of November, December and January was:—Coffee, 600 piculs; Cocoa, 1081 piculs; Hemp, 200 piculs; Rubber, 732 pounds.

COMPANY REPORT.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LD.

The report of the board of directors to be presented at the ordinary meeting of shareholders to be held at the Company's Hotel at 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 25th Feb. 1911, is as follows:

Gentlemen,—The directors beg to submit their report for the half-year ended 31st December, 1910.

Accounts.—The profit and Working Account amounted to \$46,323.50 as compared with \$51,740.04 for the corresponding period of 1909, being a decrease of \$5,416.48. The Profit and Loss Account, including the sum of \$21,470.21 brought forward from 30th June, 1910, shows a credit balance of \$64,129.83, which the directors recommend should be apportioned as follows:—To pay a dividend of \$3.00 per share on 12,000 Old Shares \$36,000.00 and \$1.50 per share on 8,000 New Shares \$12,000.00. To write off Furniture and Fixtures Account \$10,000.00. To write off Installation of Electric Light Account \$5,000.00. To write off Steam Launch Account \$1,000.00. To carry forward to new account \$129.83.

Directors.—The Hon. Mr. E. Osborne retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election.

Audit.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe, C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

CANTON NEWS.

[THE “TELEGRAPH” CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, Feb. 21.

A serious fire occurred in a pine store outside the eastern gate yesterday. The premises were entirely destroyed and several lives were lost.

Chan Ping, swindler, who obtained over \$1,000 from an oil shop in Honam, was captured to-day after an exciting chase. He attempted to swim the river, but was hauled back.

Local pawnbrokers have been warned against taking uniforms as pledges. The Canton recruits are in the habit of pawning their uniforms.

During the financial crisis at Fat Shan last Autumn, the local Chamber of Commerce was able to relieve the market by advancing government money. Business was thus prevented from becoming disorganised. The merchants and the people feeling grateful for the assistance of the government at a critical moment, the committee of the Fat Shan Chamber of Commerce and the local guild of bankers came to Canton to visit the Taotai for the Promotion of Industries and thanked him for the efforts he had made for the adjustment of the money market in Fat Shan. The Taotai has instructed the Treasury to hand back the letter of guarantee to the visitors for cancellation, on the receipt of the money and interest due to the Government.

PIRATES AGAIN.

The master of a licensed junk reports to the Police that on the 19th inst., six men boarded his junk, which was anchored off Taulau village, opposite Capsui Mun, two of the men being armed with choppers. They tied up every man on board, pushed them into the cabin, and then ransacked the junk. They went away with clothing and money to the value of \$50.

FAREWELL DINNER.

A farewell dinner was given last night to Mr. Helm, of Messrs Meyerink and Co., at the Grand Hotel by a number of friends, on the eve of his departure for the Fatherland. The tables were laid out on the spacious verandah of the hotel, which was beautifully decorated. An excellent dinner was provided, and after justice had been done to the viands the evening was spent in harmony.

The following gentlemen were present:—Messrs. E. Meyer, Kunze, Helm, Schultz, Fuiko, Vorster, Steinhoff, Rose, Schluter, Haumann, Sonksen, Lurhroeg, Solvander, Neidt, M. Sibson and H. Sibson. Mr. Helm has been popular during his stay in the Colony, and much regret is felt by his friends on his departure.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held next Thursday, at 2.30 p.m.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock will move the following resolution:—

“That in the opinion of this Council it is desirable that a Clock Tower should be erected on the New Post Office according to the original design, with a suitable clock in it.”

Hon. Mr. E. Osborne will ask the following questions:—

1. With reference to the answer given at the last Meeting of this Council to my question concerning progress on the new Typhoon Refuge, will the Government cause to be laid on this table half-yearly, a statement of payments due to the contractor in the form suggested in my letter to the Colonial Secretary dated the 13th January?

2. Will the Government state (a) the number of cases of theft from ships and lighters in the Harbour reported to the Police during the year 1910, (b) the value (if known) of the goods stolen?

3. Will the Government cause enquiry to be made into the alleged prevalence of theft from ships and lighters in the Harbour and the best method of preventing injury to the Colony's trade from this cause?

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

His Excellency gave an official dinner at Government House last night, at which the following were present:—Mr. Wood, Dr. Noble, Dr. Bellios, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Bowley, Mr. Clementi, Mr. Shelton Hooper, Mr. Orme, Mr. Li Yan Chun, Mr. Wu Hoi Chau, Mr. Ng Hon Tsz, Mr. Fung Wa Chun, The Hon'ble Mr. Wei Yuk, Mr. Mok Man Cheung, Mr. Yung Shiu Po, Mr. Lau Pun Chiu, Mr. Shiu Ue Tin, Mr. Tong Lai Chun, Mr. Chau Siu Ki, Mr. Chan Kai Ming, Mr. Mai Kai Nam, Mr. Tang Cheung Chak, Mr. Leung Yan Po.

THE PLAGUE.

Peking, Feb. 15.—The plague at Kuanhangtze is still soothing. Outbreaks are reported to have occurred across the Russian and the Korean borders.

The death-rate is daily diminishing at Fachien, where there were only thirty-two deaths yesterday. The position is also improving elsewhere.

The Government is sparing no expense in fighting the disease.

The losses of the Imperial Railways of North China from suspension of traffic amount daily to Tls. 12,000.—“N. C. D. News.”

A DISCOMFORTING REPORT.

London, Feb. 16.—Reports from St. Petersburg state that a telegram has been received from Harbin which declares that notwithstanding the fact that there are 200 deaths daily from plague at Kuanhangtze, the hair of dead Chinese is still being exported to Germany and Great Britain.

LOG BOOK.

Captain H. D. Jones, of the Honam, has resigned.

Captain S. B. Smith, of the Sainam, has gone master of the Honam.

Captain J. Billison, of the Hoisang, has gone master of the Sainam.

Mr. W. R. Jeffcott, chief officer, Kinshan, has gone master, Hoisang.

Mr. P. Tall, second officer, Kinshan, has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. C. J. Evans, second officer, Hoisang, has gone second officer, Honam.

Mr. J. S. Swannia, chief officer, Honam, has gone chief officer, Sui An.

Mr. O. Stancliffe, chief officer, Sui An, has gone chief officer, Honam.

Mr. C. P. Archer, purser, Honam, has gone purser, Heungshan.

Mr. H. C. Lyon has been appointed purser, Honam.—“Leading Light.”

The Douglas steamer Haitan leaves at 8 a.m. to-morrow for Amoy and Foochow, not calling at Swatow, as she usually does.

INDIAN NEWS.

A SAD DEATH.

Rangoon, January 30th.—A letter received from Port Said to-day states that Mr. W. S. Henderson, an American driller, in the employ of the Burma Oil Co., Yenang-Ying, jumped overboard the s.s. “Bhamo” in the Red Sea and was seized at once by a shark.

The deceased who had been eighteen months out here was twenty-one years old.

THE ROYAL VISIT.

Bombay, Jan. 30th.—Among the notices now put down for discussion at the Bombay Municipal Corporation is a resolution for the appointment of a committee to suggest steps to be taken in connection with the approaching visit of the King-Emperor and Queen-Empress with a view to obtaining for Bombay the distinction of a Royal city.

DELHI DURBAR.

Lahore, January 26th.—During his stay in Delhi for the Coronation Durbar the King-Emperor will occupy the Circuit House which will be suitably altered for his residence.

KARACHI HARBOUR ACCIDENT.

Karachi, January 27th.—A passenger boat whilst taking eleven passengers out to a craft in the harbour last evening suddenly heeled over owing to a stiff breeze and filling with water sank. The passengers, amongst whom were two women, were happily rescued by other boatmen. No lives were lost but property valued at Rs. 1,000 was lost.

VERONA IN A STORM.

The German steamer Verona which arrived in Manila last week from New York experienced the roughest weather in her entire history. The freighter left New York on November 27, and ran into bad weather at the very start, which increased in force daily until three o'clock on the morning of December 11, when a wave dashed over the captain's bridge on the port side, breaking the iron railing and a boat, both of which were thrown forcibly against the wheel house, literally punching it full of holes, and carrying overboard two lockers from the bridge.

The same breaker carried away the ladder leading up to the bridge which had been riveted to the deck with strong bolts, filled the stokehole half full of water, and very nearly extinguished the fires in the engine room. At the same time all the canvas around the railing of the bridge was ripped off and was hanging by a few threads when the damage was discovered.

The first officer immediately ordered the hatches battened down and it was while in the act of doing this that a second mammoth wave struck the vessel broadside and dashed seven of the deckhands against the iron railing of the ship, all of them being so badly injured as to necessitate leaving them in Singapore for “repairs,” as the first mate put it.

While being interviewed he said: “We repaired the ship first; then we repaired the men. Not only was the sea the roughest that I have ever experienced, but the entire experience seemed rather unusual in that not a man was washed overboard. As it was, they were swimming like fishes on the deck.”

The entire ship is undergoing a renovation, which includes repairs as well as painting.

CARNIVAL NEWS.

88 athletes from the various school divisions that are taking part in the 1911 Carnival Inter-scholastic meet arrived in Manila on the s.s. Rizal.

The following vessels of the fleet will be present off Manila during the Philippine Carnival: from February 20th to 28th: New York, New Orleans, Bainbridge, Decatur, Albany, Rainbow, Barry, Dale. Also the Monterey if practicable; also the Elcano until such time as weather conditions render it advisable for that vessel to attempt passage to Shanghai, via Hongkong. The Elcano will be officially inspected prior to departure if opportunity offers.

The Scharnhorst is not visiting Manila during the carnival.

To-day's Advertisements.

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THE Undersigned acting under instructions from the Administration of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, Chinese Section, will sell by

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Hongkong, 21st Feb., 1911. [910]

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Hongkong, 21st Feb., 1911. [908]

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

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Hongkong, 21st Feb., 1911. [8]

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1910. [5]

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Hongkong, 6th Feb., 1911. [868]

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1911.

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For	Steamship	On
SHANGHAI	WINGSANG	Wed. day, 22nd Feb., d'light.
TIENSIN	CHEONGSHING	Friday, 24th Feb., Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	NAMSANG	Saturday, 25th Feb., Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Saturday, 25th Feb., Noon.
SHANGHAI	TIENSANG	Saturday, 25th Feb., Noon.

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	On or about
"LUCERIO"	6,500	J. Mathie	9th March
"HALLAMSHIRE"	5,000	G. Elliot	6th April

To be followed by other steamers of the Company at regular intervals.
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Hongkong, 16th February, 1911.

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES, 1911
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, CO- LOMBO AND PORT SAID....	WASAKA MARU, Capt. N. Nielsen, Tons 7,000 KITANO MARU, Capt. E. Cope, Tons 9,000 IYO MARU, Capt. R. Takada, Tons 7,000	SUNDAY, 26th Feb. WEDNESDAY, 1st Mar., at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE ...	KAMAKURA MARU Capt. J. Nagao, Tons 7,000	SATURDAY, 25th Mar., from KOBE
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI & YOKOHAMA ...	AWA MARU, Capt. S. Ishikawa, Tons 7,000 INABA MARU Capt. K. Kawara, Tons 7,000	TUESDAY, 28th Feb., at Noon. TUESDAY, 28th Mar., at Noon.
SYDNEY & MEL- BOURNE, via MANILA, THUR- SDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.....	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekino, Tons 5,000 NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6,000	FRIDAY, 17th Mar., at Noon. FRIDAY, 14th April, at Noon.
KOBE and YOKO- HAMA	TANGO MARU, Capt. A. Christiansen, Tons 8,000	THURSDAY, 2nd Mar., at 11 a.m.
NAGASAKI, KO- BE and YOKO- HAMA	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6,000	WEDNESDAY, 15th Mar., at 1 con.
SHANGHAI, MO- JI & KOBE ...	CEYLON MARU, Capt. Fred. Pyne, Tons 6,000	MONDAY, 6th March.
BOMBAY via SIN- GAPORE and COLOMBO.....	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. E. Combes, Tons 5,000	TUESDAY, 28th February.

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SAILINGS AND PASSAGE RATES FROM HONGKONG.

Steamers	Tons	Leave Hongkong	RATES OF PASSAGE
Miyasaki Maru	5,000	15th Feb.	To Marseilles and London via Suez Canal.
Kitano	9,000	1st March	1st class Single...Y550
Iyo	7,000	16th "	" Return... 825
Hirano	9,000	23rd "	" 2nd class Single... 360
Tango	9,000	42th April	" Return... 640
Kamo	9,000	26th "	" Old Str. 1st class Single 600
Aki	7,000	10th May	" Return 750
Mishima	9,000	24th "	" 2nd class Single 340
			" Return 495

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Steamers	Tons	Leave Hongkong	RATES OF PASSAGE
Awa Maru	7,000	23th Feb.	To Pacific Coast Common Points
Inaba	7,000	28th March	1st class Single...£30
Tamba	7,000	25th April	" 2nd " ...£21
Awa	7,000	23rd May	To London via New York
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			1st class Single...£50

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	STEAMERS	To SAIL
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	23rd Feb., 4 p.m.
XINGPO	"KASHING"	23rd " 4 p.m.
TIENSIN	"KUEICHOW"	24th " 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA & AUSTRALIAN PORTS ...	"CHANGSHA"	25th " 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	25th " M'night
MANILA, ILOILO & CEBU	"TEAN"	28th " 4 p.m.
TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	9th Mar., 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1911.

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Shipping—Steamers

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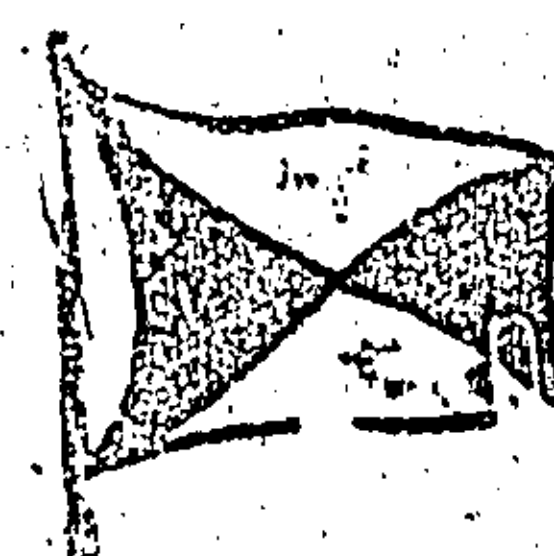
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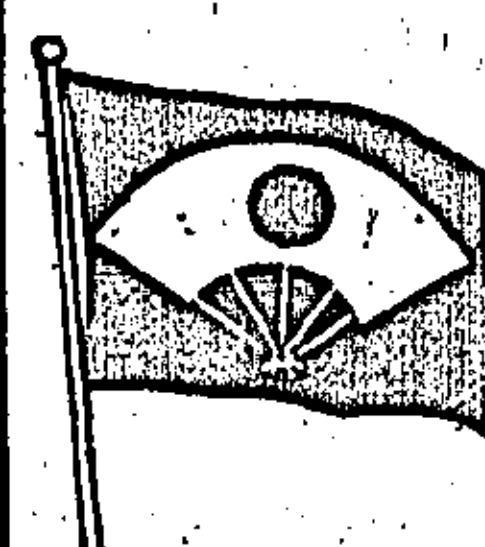
Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
ZAFIRO	4000	H. Mainland	MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TUESDAY, 28th Feb., 4 p.m.
RUBI	4000	S. Crosby	MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	FRIDAY, 10th Mar., 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1911.

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of Sailing
Tenyo Maru	21,000	E. Bent	Friday, Feb. 24, 1 p.m.
Nippon Maru	11,000	H. S. Smith	Friday, March 17, 1 p.m.
Chiyo Maru	21,000	W. W. Greeno	Friday, April 14, 1 p.m.
America Maru	11,000	A. G. Stevens	Friday, May 5, 1 p.m.

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Buyo Maru	10,500	K. Hashimoto	Wednesday, April 19, 1 p.m.
Hongkong Maru	11,000	H. Hinokuma	Saturday, June 17, 1 p.m.

THE Steamer "KIYO MARU" will be despatched for MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO and CORONEL on TUESDAY, 21st February, at 1 p.m.

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

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E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th Feb., 1911. [4]

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RUBBER SHARE VALUES.

The following report prepared by Messrs. Hamilton, Mackay and Thomson, stock and share brokers, has been sent to us by Messrs. Wright and Hornby, their agents in Hongkong:

Now that the Rubber Boom is a thing of the past and all wild speculation has been eliminated, the Rubber Market may be said to have settled down into a more or less normal condition, at least, as far as activity in the Share Market is concerned, and what is a more important factor, the price of the raw material.

That Rubber Planting is a flourishing and lasting industry goes without saying. That being so, it is only natural it should continue to be a favourite medium for the investment of capital, considering the handsome returns which are obtainable after making due allowance for the somewhat speculative character of the industry. In the case of gold mines the more gold won the more the value of the property is depleted, but not so with Rubber.

The older a tree becomes the more rubber it produces, that is, given capable management and normal conditions. For instance, a tree may only produce one pound of rubber the first year of tapping, while the same tree at the age of 10 to 15 years may produce 10 to 75 lbs. and in some cases considerably more. This is an important factor to be kept in mind, as the steadily increasing value of the property, apart altogether from fresh areas coming into bearing, acts as a set off to any decline which may take place in the price of the raw material. It is of course, impossible to foretell what the price of the raw material may go to ultimately one way or the other, but as regards the next few years, at any rate, experts are agreed that the minimum price should not be less than 2s. per lb., as at that point it would hardly pay to collect the Brazilian product and other sources of wild supply would also fall out, leaving Plantation Brands practically alone in the field. And it will be a considerable time before the output of Plantation rubber is equal to the world's demand, which is steadily increasing.

That there are many anomalies in the relative prices of shares in the different companies is undoubted. While during the boom many quotations were taken to levels quite unwarranted, so in the reaction many shares are quoted under their intrinsic values. Shares may be divided into three groups, viz:

1st.—Those of the older-established companies which are now paying handsome dividends and which as a consequence stand at very high premiums, say 1,000 per cent. or more.

2nd.—Those of companies which have but recently entered the producing stage and are at comparatively low premiums.

3rd.—Those of companies which have just started producing or will not be producing for a year or two and stand at or near par.

The first group have been, and continue to be, the leading favourites among investors, but we are of opinion that selections from the other groups would probably pay the investors better in the long run as we think the subjoined tables demonstrate. The year 1910 looks like being the high water mark as far as the price of the raw material is concerned, so we do not take the actual or estimated results of that year into our calculation. Instead we compare the estimated profits for the following six years of the leading Malayan Companies as stated in Messrs. Parry and Munn's, A. B. C. Guide. The net profit per lb. is taken as 4s. for the year 1911, as 3s. for 1912 and the rate of 2s. for the remaining years. The production is taken at 100 lbs. per acre for the first year's tapping, 200 lbs. for the second, 300 lbs. for the third, and 400 lbs. for the fourth and following years.

These estimates of course afford only a rough basis of comparison, some of the older estates producing considerably more than 400 lbs. per acre, while some companies have other sources of revenue not taken into account, notably Kluang. Produce from coffee and coconuts. In the main, however, they should afford the investor fair guidance in the selection of investments.

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Hongkong, 18th Feb., 1911. [906]

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1911. [159]

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Hongkong 1st February, 1911. [61]

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WEEK DAYS.
7.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 min.
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 15 min.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. " 15 min.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. " 10 min.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. " 15 min.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. " 10 min.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. " 15 min.
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min.
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. " 10 min.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 min.
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. " 30 min.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. " 15 min.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 10 min.
11.45 a.m. to 12.00 noon " 15 min.
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. " 10 min.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. " 10 min.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. " 15 min.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. " 10 min.

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SATURDAYS.

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MASILA, YAP, MANILA, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. Lenz (T. 6,000)	SATURDAY, 25th February, at Daylight.

KUDAT and SANDAKAN "BORNEO" Capt. F. Sembill (T. 5,000) End of February.

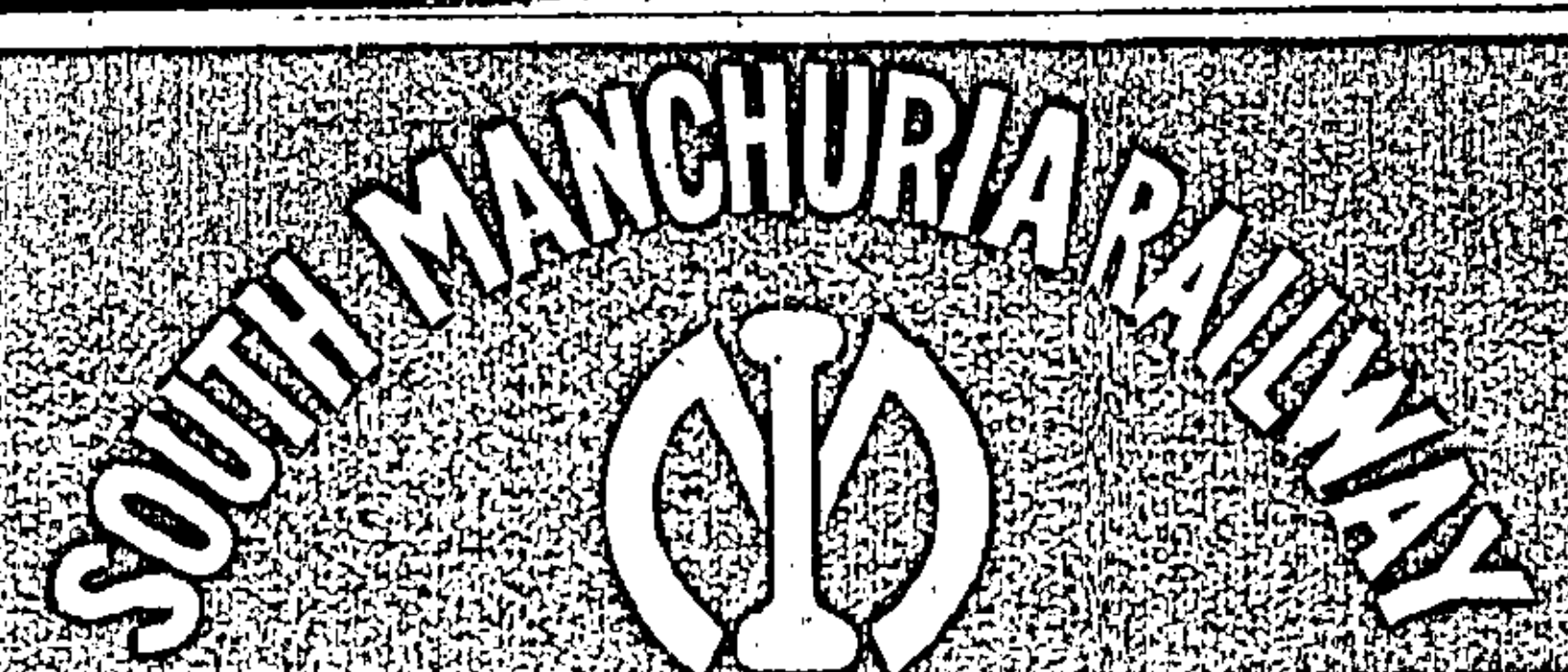
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Hongkong, 9th February, 1911. [7]

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	Mukden (") Lv.	3.00				
Y11.50	Changchun (") Lv.	9.55				
R 9.60	(Russian Train) Lv.	11.35				
	Harbin (") Ar.	7.25				

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1st Class Fare	Steamer	Lv.	Ar.	Mon.	Tues.	Fri.	Sat.
R 9.60	Harbin (Russian Train) Lv.	7.50 p.m.	7.50 p.m.	Mon.	Tues.		
	Changchun (") Ar.	6.40 a.m.					
Y11.50	(S.M.R. Train) Lv.	7.00					
	Mukden (") Ar.	1.45 p.m.					
Y14.50	Dairen (") Lv.	2.00					
Y40.00	(Steamer) Lv.	10.30					
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Hongkong, 20th January, 1911. [785]

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Hongkong, 13th Feb., 1911. [904]

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